BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF YORK
YORKTOWN, VIRGINIA

Ordinance

At a regular meeting of the York County Board of Supervisors held in the Board Room, York Hall, Yorktown, Virginia, on the _____ day of _____, 2003:

Present   Vote

James S. Burgett, Chairman
Thomas G. Shepperd, Jr., Vice Chairman
Walter C. Zaremba
Sheila S. Noll
Donald E. Wiggins

On motion of _____, which carried ___, the following ordinance was adopted:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND YORK COUNTY CODE SECTION 17-55 REGARDING DOGS IN PUBLIC AREAS

BE IT ORDAINED by the York County Board of Supervisors, this _____ day of _____, 2003, that section 17-55, York County Code, be and it is hereby amended, to read and provide as follows:

Sec. 17-55. Dogs and other domesticated animals.

Dogs and other domesticated animals are prohibited in public areas unless they are crated, caged or on a leash. In the case of a dog, the dog's custodian must secure the animal by a collar with a chain, cord or leash not exceeding eight (8) feet in length, and have the animal under complete and immediate control while in a public area. Dogs may be off-leash only in such areas and during such times as have been specifically designated for such activity by the appropriate governing official. ~~Dogs may be unleashed if kept under their owner's or custodian's immediate control, and if not in a public area where a public meeting, assembly, gathering, parade, recreational activity or similar event is taking place.~~ No person shall allow a dog or other animal to discharge excrement on the premises of any public area, without promptly removing and disposing of the waste in such a manner as to eliminate any inconvenience to others. Domesticated animals are prohibited in public eating places and on all swimming or bathing beaches. The appropriate governing official may also designate, by the posting of appropriate signs, other portions of the public areas where domesticated animals are not permitted. This section shall not apply to guide dogs for the handicapped. A violation

of any provision of this section shall be punished by imposition of a civil penalty as is set out in section 1-10 of this Code.